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September 6, 2005

Ref: 2166-19503

Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation Post Office Box 94275 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re:

Hearing Application 5900' Sand, Reservoir A

ERATH FIELD

Vermilion Parish, Louisiana

Applicant: Hilcorp Energy Company

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, application is hereby made on behalf of **Hilcorp Energy Company** for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the 5900' Sand, Reservoir A, SUA in the Erath Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.

- 1. To create a single drilling and production unit of approximately 24 acres for the 5900' Sand, Reservoir A, SUA, designated as the 5900' RA SUA, Erath Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, all as shown more particularly on the attached plat;
- 2. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the said unit;
- 3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;
- 4. To designate a unit operator and unit well for the unit created herein;
- 5. To consider such other matters relating to the subject reservoir as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the public hearing.

The 5900' Sand, Reservoir A, in the Erath Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as that gas and condensate bearing sand between the depths of 5,908 feet and 5,983 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Hilcorp

Erath Application

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Energy Company-Fitzsimmons No. 47-4 Well, located in Section 20, Township 13 South, Range 4 East, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, the Commissioner of Conservation, the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation and all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties known to the applicant after a reasonable search were notified in writing in the pre-application notice dated August 26, 2005 that a conference to discuss the proposed application was tentatively scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Monday, September 19, 2005. It was stated at that time that this conference would be held only if a request to confer were received by the undersigned within ten (10) calendar days after the date of the pre-application notice. No requests for a conference were received either in writing or by telephone and, in accordance with the Rules of Procedure, the tentatively scheduled conference WILL NOT BE HELD.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the 5900' RA SUA, Erath Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, and a list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties to whom this notice is being sent. It is hereby certified that a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties.

A copy of the list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties is not being mailed to those parties along with this application notice. Should any such party desire a copy of this list, however, we will be glad to provide one upon request.

Upon receipt of the legal notice in the captioned matter, the notice will be posted, published and mailed in accordance with Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure.

Any pertinent data relating to the proposed unit can be obtained, AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from Mr. W. H. Robbins of W. H. Robbins & Associates, 302 La Rue France, Suite 100, Lafayette, LA 70508 (337) 232-5004.

Finally, there is enclosed herewith our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$755.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

BJD/ht Attachments

cc: Mr. Richard D. Hudson, District Manager Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties

